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# AGENDA



<i>Segment</i>	<i>Time</i>
Segment 1: Workshop Overview and Background	11:00 AM – 11:40 AM
Segment 2: Keynotes	11:40 AM – 12:20 PM
Segment 3: Challenges from the Field	12:20 PM – 12:50 PM
Intermission	12:50 PM – 1:30 PM
Segment 4: Challenges Sessions	1:30 PM – 2:25 PM
Break	2:25 PM – 2:35 PM
Segment 4 (Continued): Challenges Sessions	2:35 PM – 3:45 PM
Break	3:45 PM – 3:50 PM
Segment 5: Open Lightning Round	3:50 PM – 4:20 PM
Segment 6: Next Steps	4:20 PM – 4:30 PM

# Welcome to the NCCoE Virtual Workshop on Cybersecurity of Genomic Data

Natalia Martin, NIST

# Virtual Workshop on the Cybersecurity of Genomic Data

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# About the NCCoE

**NIST** National Institute of  
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# WHO WE ARE



A **solution-driven, collaborative** hub addressing complex cybersecurity problems



# OUR GOALS

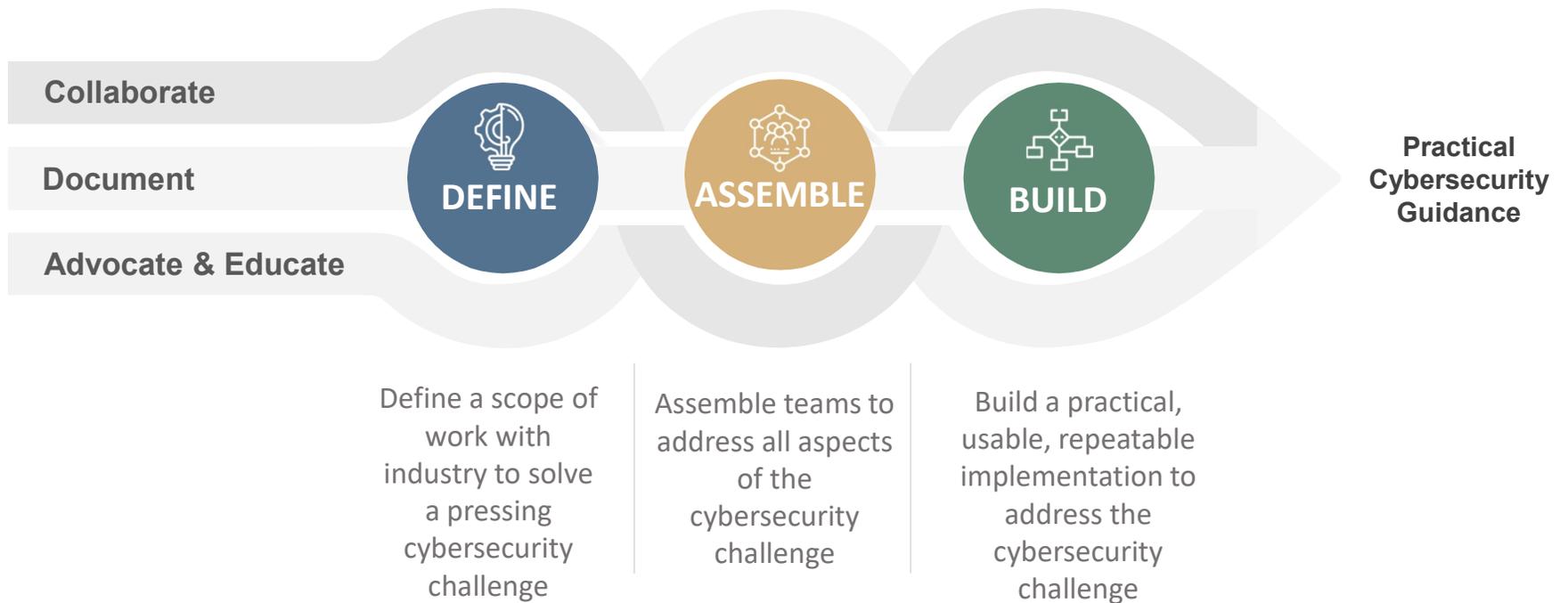


**Improve cybersecurity** for businesses and commerce

**Lower the learning curve** for cybersecurity

**Spark innovation** in secure technology

# OUR APPROACH



# Virtual Workshop on the Cybersecurity of Genomic Data



# Workshop Overview

Ron Pulivarti, NIST

# Housekeeping

- We support the health and well being for all.
  - We are supporting virtual collaboration.
  - We have three breaks planned for the day.
- We want audience engagement.
  - Please pose your questions for today's workshop using the Q&A window.
  - Please voice your insights in the Open Lightning Round from 3:50 – 4:30 PM.
- We intend to share our learnings today.
  - We are recording this session for future post on the NCCoE Website.
  - We will summarize key insights.

# NIST Experiences in Genomics, Cybersecurity, and Privacy

Samantha Maragh (NIST)

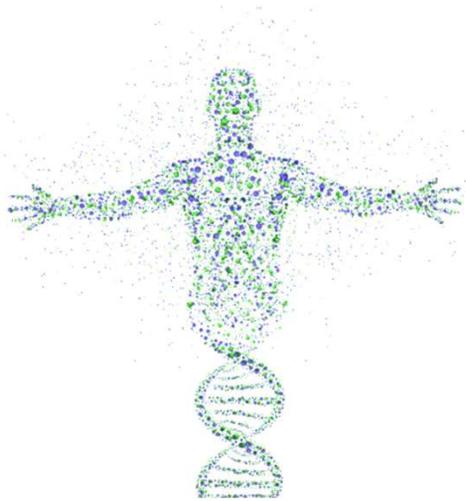
Naomi Lefkowitz (NIST)

Ron Pulivarti (NIST)

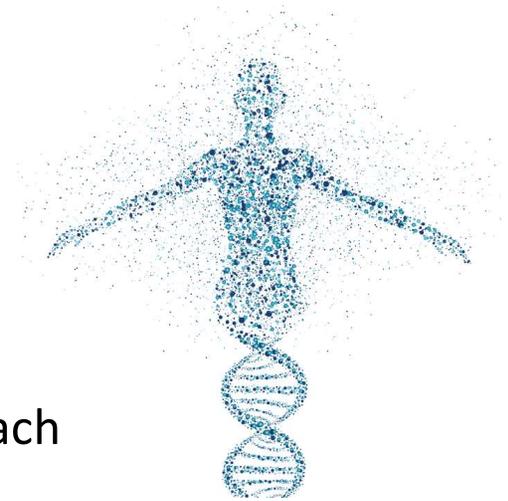
# Human Genomics at NIST

Samantha Maragh  
Leader, Genome Editing Program

# The Human Genome



- The instruction code for humans
- ~6.4 billion letters long
- Present in each cell of a person
- ~ Half inherited from each biological parent
- Code is highly similar between people, but each person has a unique identifiable sequence



# Uses of human genomic information

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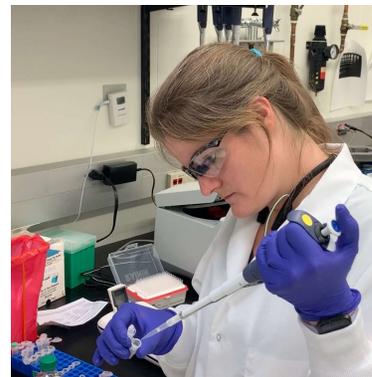
Human Identification



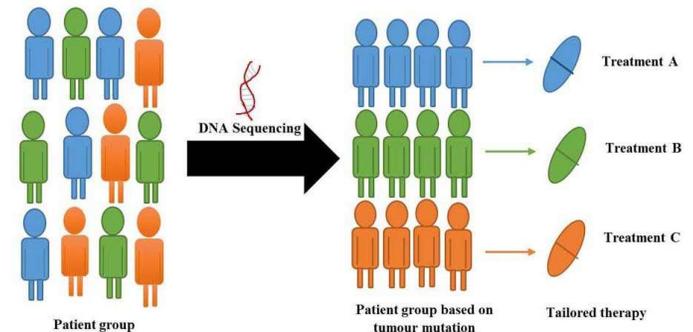
Population Diversity and Ancestry



Human Health: Diagnostics

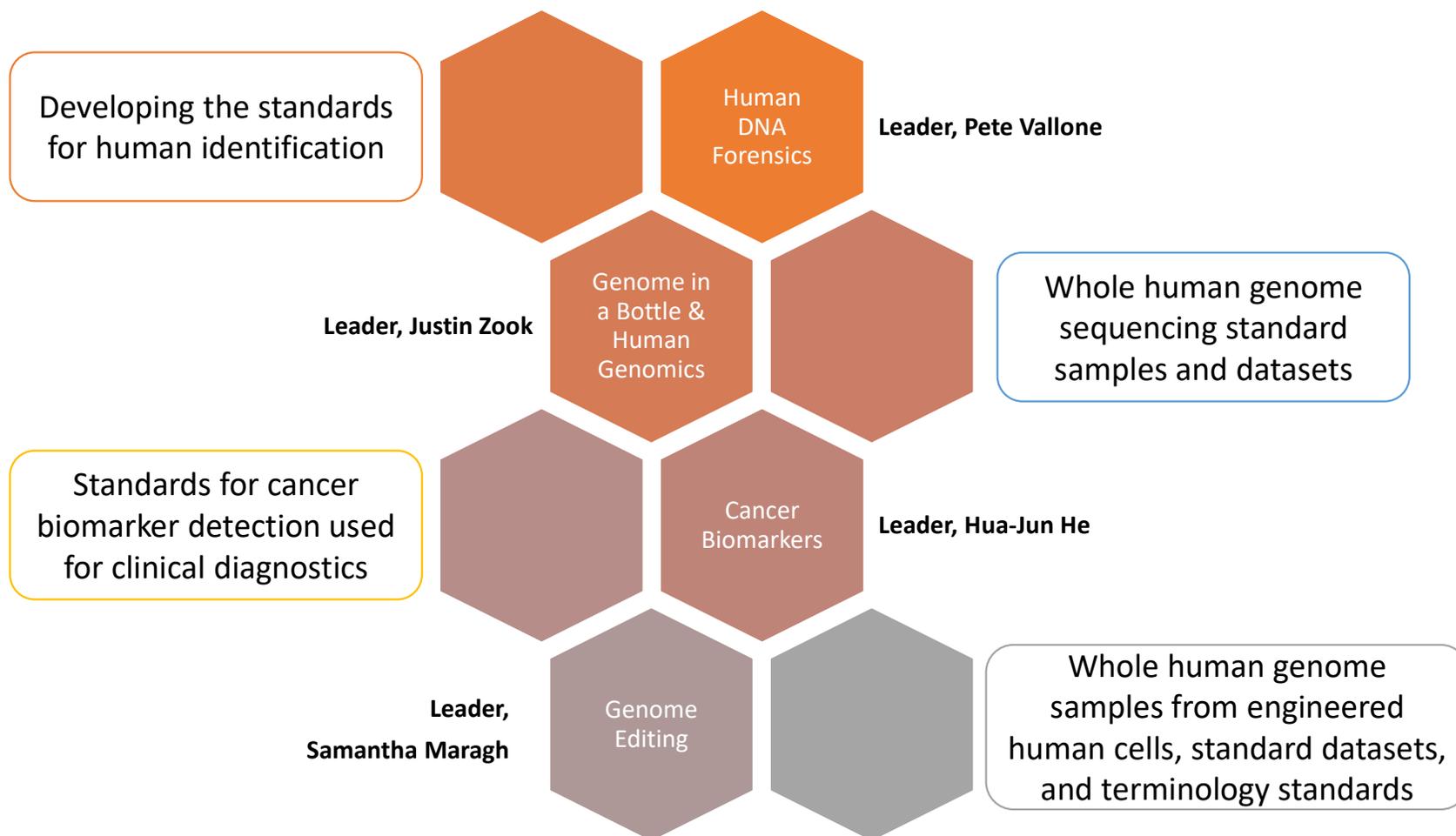


Scientific Research



Human Health: Treatment

# NIST expertise with human genomics



# NIST formed the Genome in a Bottle Consortium in 2012

GIAB has characterized variants in 7 human genomes and released NIST whole genome DNA standards



**Pilot Genome  
NA12878**

HG001\* 

**AJ Trio**  
HG003\*  —  HG004\*

HG002\* 

**Chinese Trio**

HG006  —  HG007

HG005\* 



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## Report of Investigation

Reference Material 8391

Human DNA for Whole-Genome Variant Assessment  
(Son of Eastern European Ashkenazim Jewish Ancestry)

This Reference Material (RM) is intended for validation, optimization, and process evaluation purposes. It consists of a male whole human genome sample of Eastern European Ashkenazim Jewish ancestry, and it can be used to assess performance of variant calling from genome sequencing. A unit of RM 8391 consists of a vial containing human genomic DNA extracted from a single large growth of human lymphoblastoid cell line GM24385 from the Coriell Institute for Medical Research (Camden, NJ). The vial contains approximately 10 µg of genomic DNA, with the peak of the nominal length distribution longer than 48.5 kb, as referenced by Lambda DNA, and the DNA is in TE buffer (10 mM TRIS, 1 mM EDTA, pH 8.0).



nature  
biotechnology

Resource | Published: 01 April 2019

### An open resource for accurately benchmarking small variant and reference calls

Justin M. Zook , Jennifer McDaniel, Nathan D. Olson, Justin Wagner, Hemang Parikh, Haynes Heaton, Sean A. Irvine, Len Trigg, Rebecca Truty, Cory Y. McLean, Francisco M. De La Vega, Chunlin Xiao, Stephen Sherry & Marc Salit

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Resource | Published: 15 June 2020

### A robust benchmark for detection of germline large deletions and insertions

Justin M. Zook , Nancy F. Hansen, [...] Marc Salit

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Analysis | Published: 11 March 2019

### Best practices for benchmarking germline small-variant calls in human genomes

Peter Krusche, Len Trigg, Paul C. Boutros, Christopher E. Mason, Francisco M. De La Vega, Benjamin L. Moore, Mar Gonzalez-Porta, Michael A. Eberle, Zivana Tezak, Samir Lababidi, Rebecca Truty, George Asimenos, Birgit Funke, Mark Fleharty, Brad A. Chapman, Marc Salit, Justin M. Zook  & the Global Alliance for Genomics and Health Benchmarking Team

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RESEARCH ARTICLE

### A crowdsourced set of curated structural variants for the human genome

Lesley M. Chapman, Noah Spies, Patrick Pai, Chun Shen Lim, Andrew Carroll, Giuseppe Narzisi, Christopher M. Watson, Christos Proukakis, Wayne E. Clarke, Naoki Narai, Eric Dawson, Garon Jones, Daniel Blankenberg, [...] Justin M. Zook 

\*NIST RMs developed from large batches of DNA

<p><b>Reference samples</b></p>	<p><b>Clinical Laboratories</b></p>	<p><b>Academic Laboratories</b></p>
<p><b>NGS technology developers</b></p>	<p><b>Government</b></p> <p>* Funders</p>	<p><b>Bioinformatics developers</b></p>

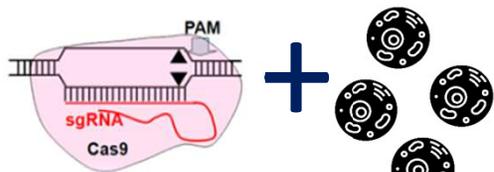
# CRISPR technologies and uses

## CRISPR-Cas

CRISPR - Clustered Regularly Interspaced Short Palindromic Repeats

Cas - CRISPR assoiated protein

CRISPR-Cas system were identified in nature as bacterial immune systems and have been pivoted to enable modification of the genetic code within cells at designed target positions (**genome editing**)

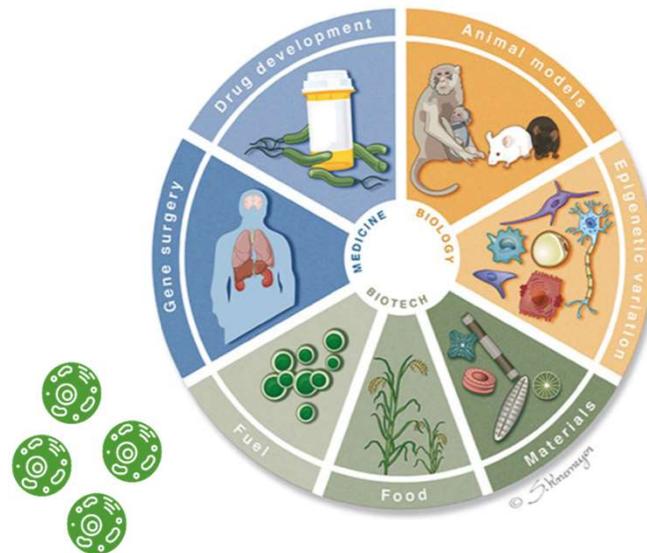


Genome Editing System (e.g., CRISPR-Cas) designed to target genome sequence

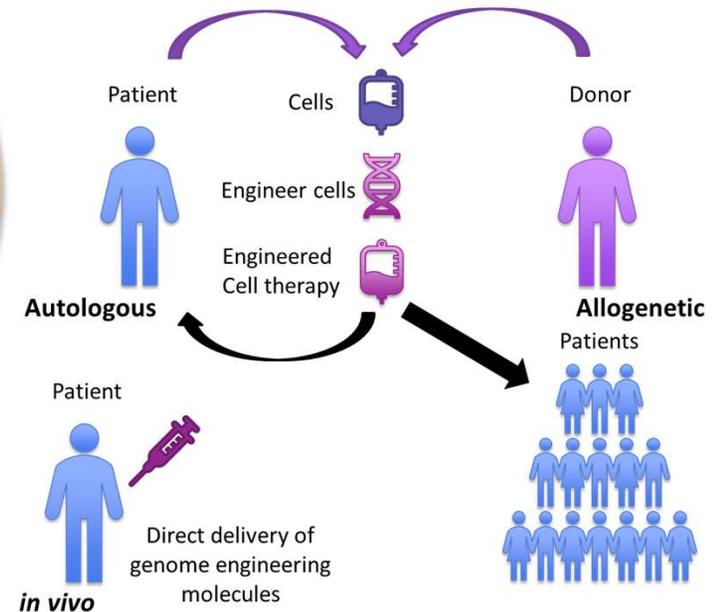
Cells of interest

DNA sequence change

Engineered/edited functional cells



## Human Gene Therapy applications

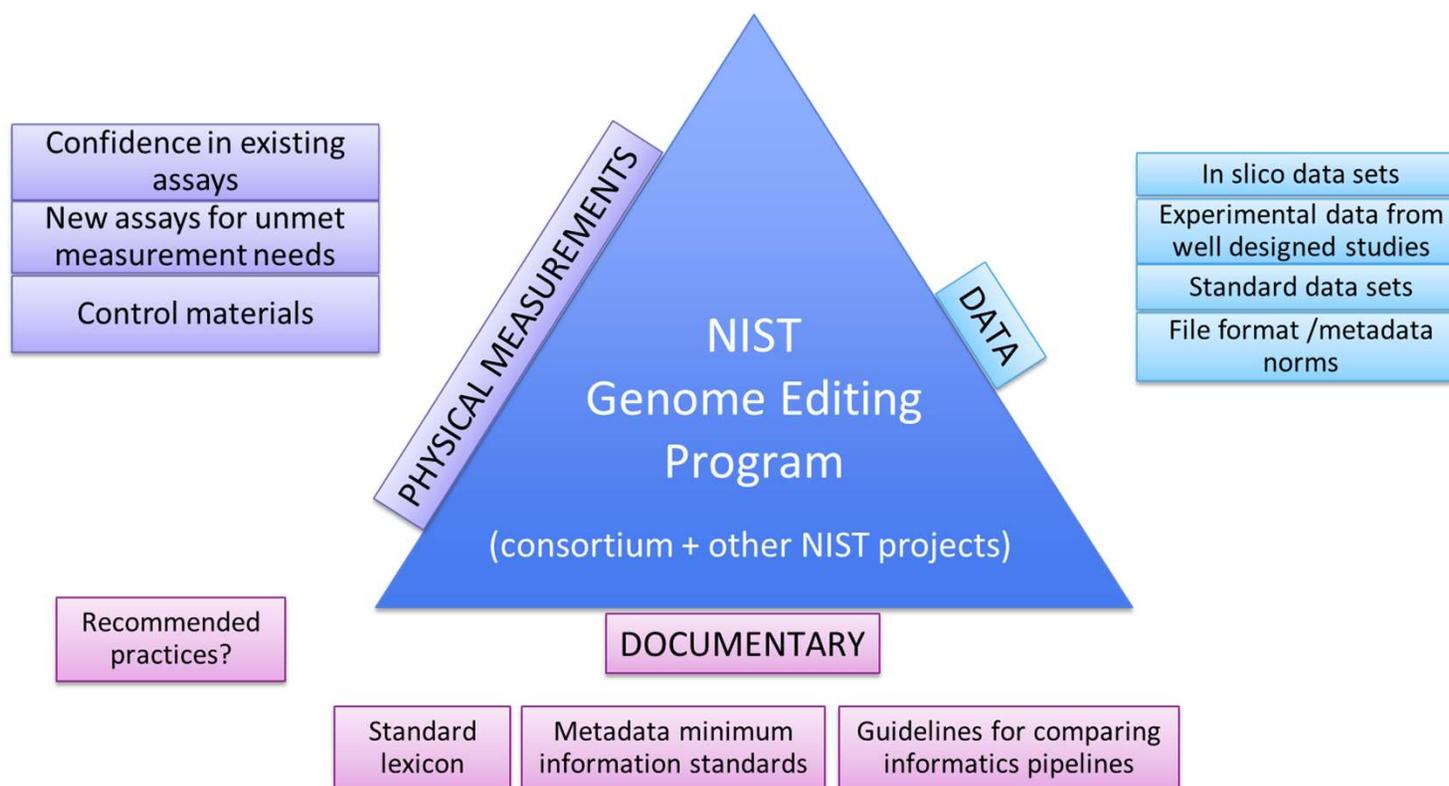


# NIST experience with CRISPR technologies



**Vision:** Support quality in measurements for translating genome edited product to market

**Goal:** Develop measurement tools standards to increase the confidence of utilizing genome editing technologies in research and commercial products.



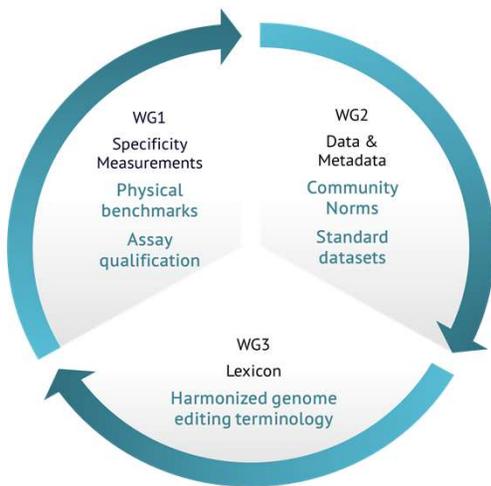
# NIST Genome Editing Consortium (launched October 2018)



## MISSION

Convene experts across academia, industry, non-profit & government to address the measurements and standards needed to increase confidence of utilizing genome editing technologies in research and commercial products

## ORGANIZATION



## MEMBER BENEFITS

- Access to a neutral forum for addressing pre-competitive needs
- Participation in the development of experimental benchmarks, guidelines and terminology
- Access to tools developed by the consortium ahead of public release

## MEMBERS

- Agilent
- Aldevron
- Applied StemCell
- AstraZeneca
- Bionano Genomics
- Bio-Rad
- Bluebird bio\*
- Caribou Biosciences
- Catalytic Data Science
- Cergentis
- COBO Technologies
- **College of American Pathologists (CAP)**
- CRISPR Therapeutics
- DARPA
- DowDuPont Agrosience (Corteva)\*
- Editas Medicine
- EMBL-EBI
- **FDA CBER**
- Genomic Vision
- Horizon Discovery
- Illumina
- Inscripta
- Integrated DNA Technologies
- Intellia Therapeutics
- KromaTiD
- Lonza
- Macrogen
- Mass General Hospital
- Mission Bio
- Novartis
- New England Biolabs
- NIH/NINDS
- NIH SCGE
- Precision Biosciences
- Sangamo Therapeutics
- SeQure Dx
- St. Jude Children's Research Hospital
- Synthego
- ThermoFisher Scientific
- Twinstrand Biosciences
- UCSC
- WhiteLab Genomics

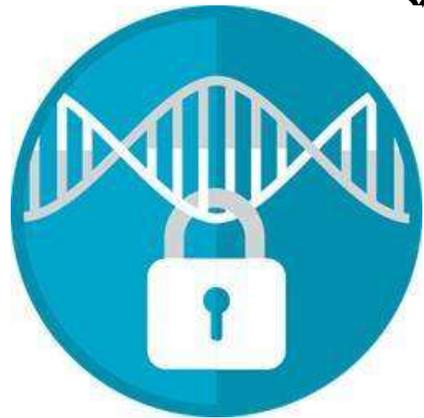
NIST coordinates with FDA and Center for Veterinary Medicine (CVM)

Cost sharing model. All members contribute \$20,000 annually or *in-kind*

\* Former members



# Importance of securing human genomics data **NIST**



- ✓ Data integrity
- ✓ Data reliability
- ✓ Maintain limited access to individual genomic information
  - ✓ Protect knowledge / intellectual property
    - ✓ Data reusability / prevent loss
  - ✓ Prevent against nefarious use or misuse
    - ✓ Privacy

# Contact Us

Thank You!

Contact

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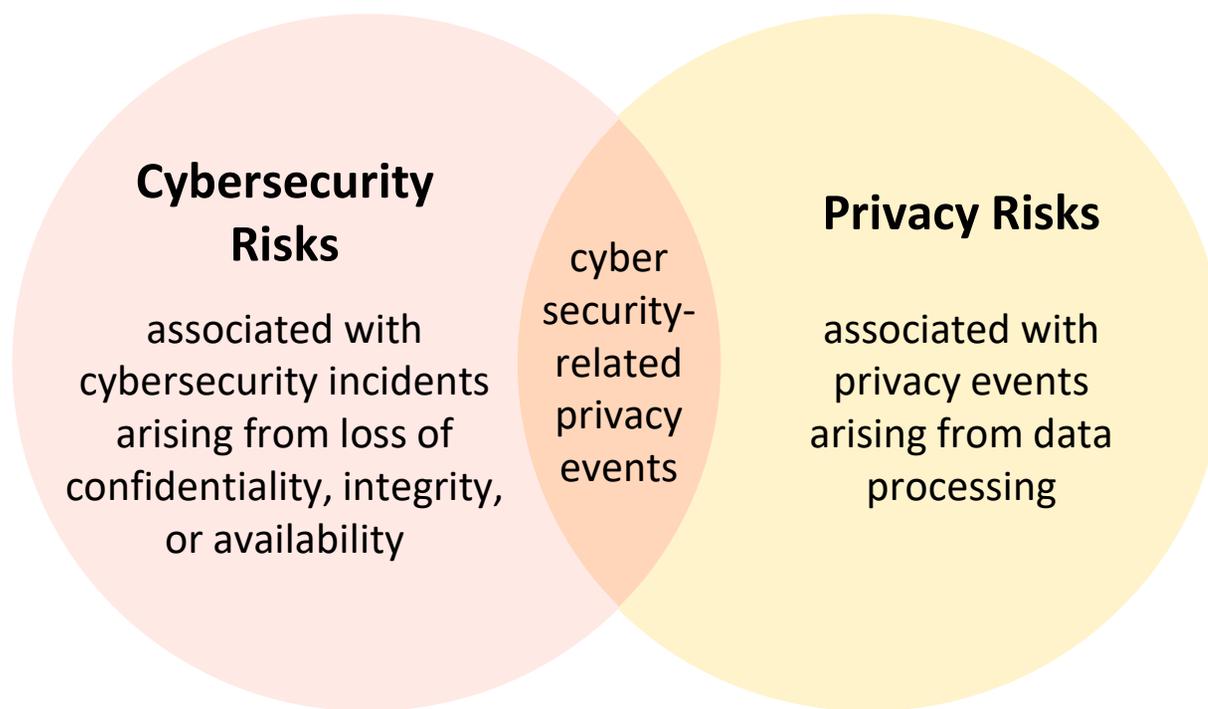
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# Privacy at NIST

Naomi Lefkowitz

# Relationship Between Cybersecurity and Privacy Risk



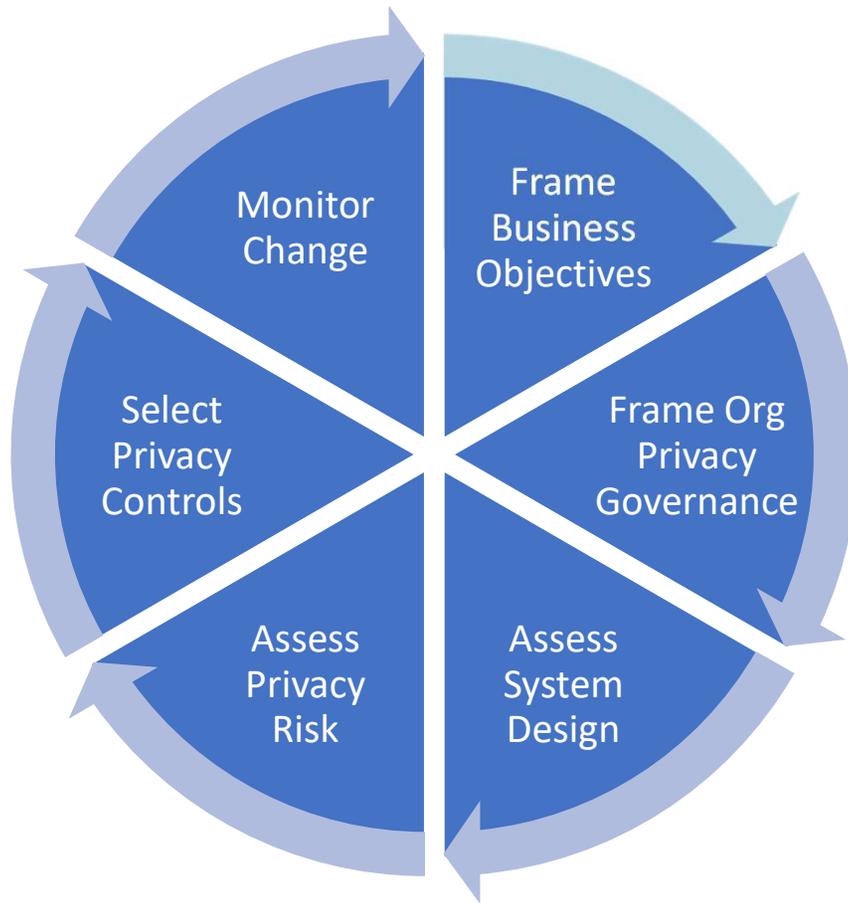
**Data:** A representation of information, including digital and non-digital formats

**Privacy Event:** The occurrence or potential occurrence of problematic data actions

**Data Processing:** The collective set of data actions (i.e., the complete data life cycle, including, but not limited to collection, retention, logging, generation, transformation, use, disclosure, sharing, transmission, and disposal)

**Privacy Risk:** The likelihood that individuals will experience problems resulting from data processing, and the impact should they occur

# NIST Privacy Risk Assessment Methodology (PRAM)



Catalog of Problematic Data  
Actions  
and Problems

# NIST Privacy Engineering Objectives

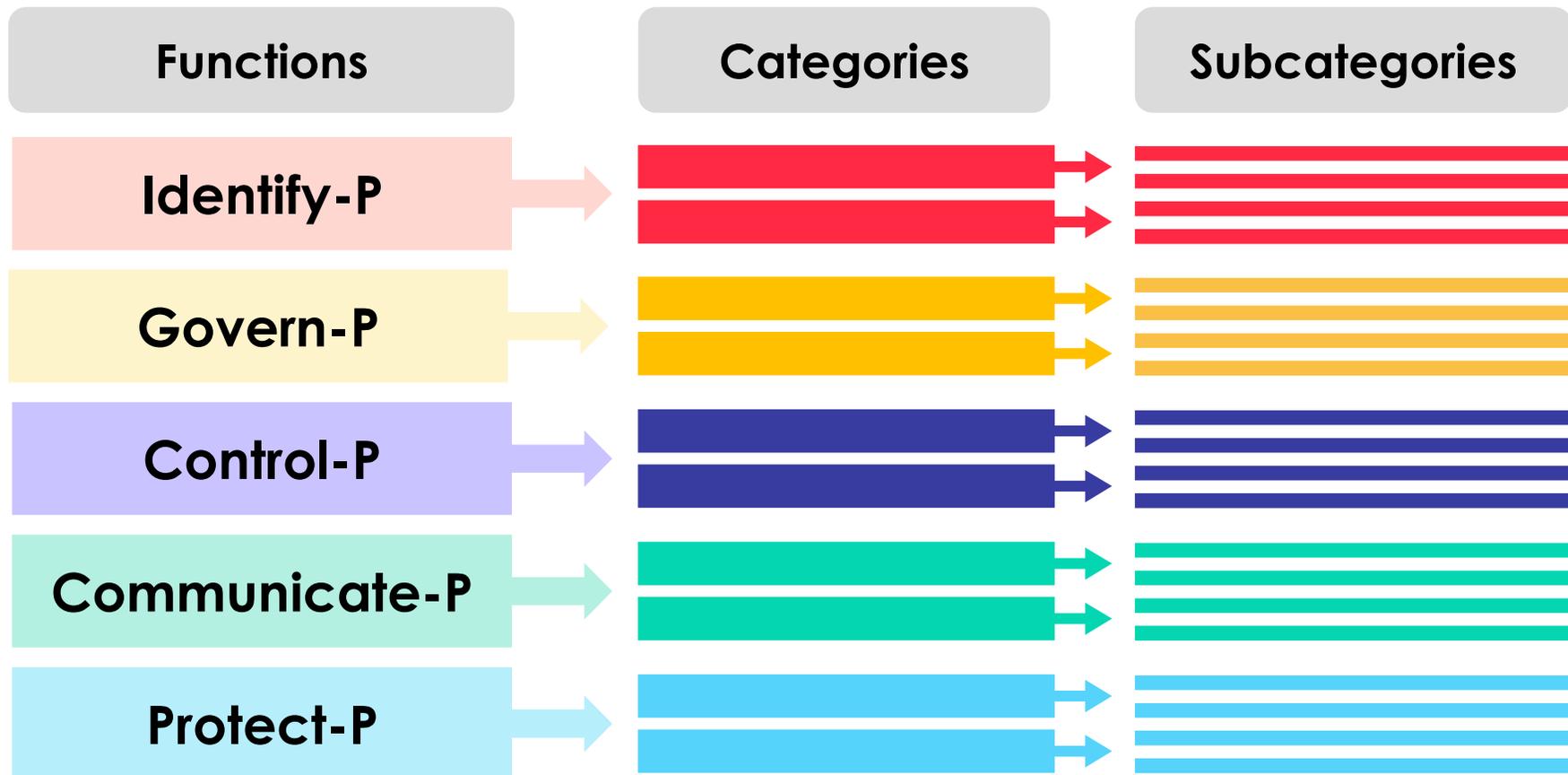


**Predictability:** enabling reliable assumptions by individuals, owners, and operators about data and their processing by a system, product, or service.

**Manageability:** providing the capability for granular administration of data, including alteration, deletion, and selective disclosure.

**Disassociability:** enabling the processing of data or events without association to individuals or devices beyond the operational requirements of the system.

# NIST Privacy Framework Core





## Websites

<https://www.nist.gov/privacyframework>



## Mailing List

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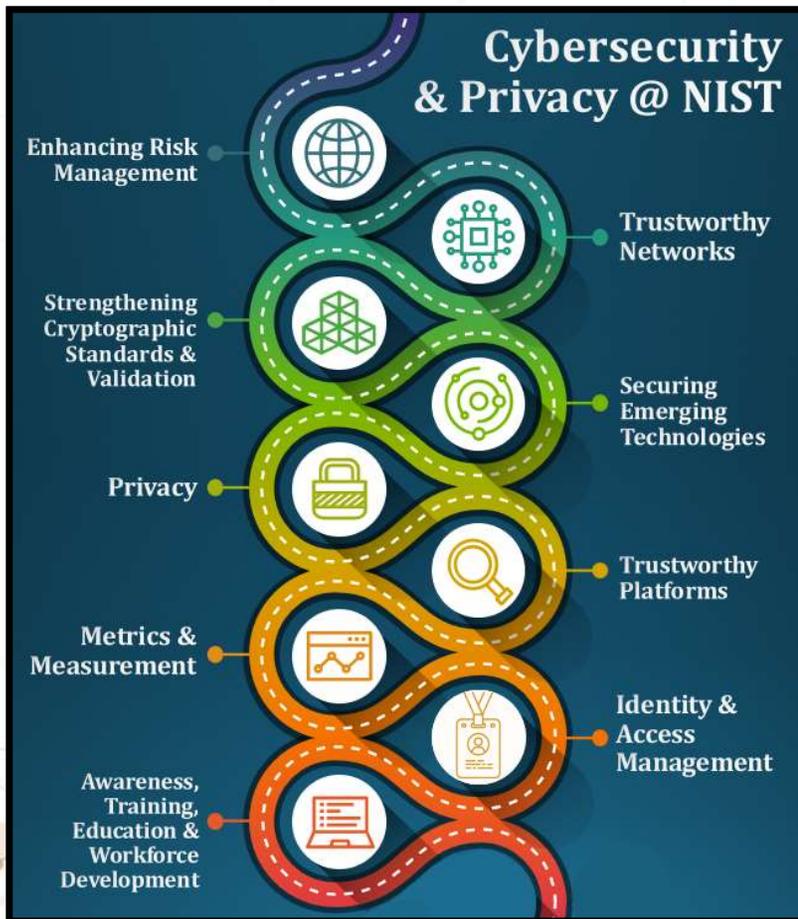
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## NINE PRIORITY AREAS:

- Enhancing Risk Management
- Trustworthy Networks
- Strengthening Cryptographic Standards & Validation
- Securing Emerging Technologies
- Privacy
- Trustworthy Platforms
- Metrics & Measurement
- Identity & Access Management
- Awareness, Training, Education & Workforce Development

**Cybersecurity Framework released; Cybersecurity Enhancement Act assigns NIST workforce, other responsibilities**

**Law designates NIST to Federal Acquisition Security Council, produce supply chain guidance**

**NIST produces IoT guidance per IoT Cybersecurity Improvement Act; NIST issues Security and Privacy Controls, Rev 5; NIST updates NICE strategic plan**

**2014**

**2016**

**2018**

**2019**

**2020**

**2021**

**NIST launches public key Post-Quantum Cryptography Standardization initiative**

**NIST launches Small Business Cybersecurity Corner website following 2018 statute**

**NIST launches effort to enhance software supply chain security in response to Executive Order and technology supply chain partnership**

# NIST Cybersecurity Framework 1.1



Function	Category
Identify	Asset Management
	Business Environment
	Governance
	Risk Assessment
	Risk Management Strategy
	Supply Chain Risk Management
Protect	Identity Management and Access Control
	Awareness and Training
	Data Security
	Information Protection Processes & Procedures
	Maintenance
	Protective Technology
Detect	Anomalies and Events
	Security Continuous Monitoring
	Detection Processes
Respond	Response Planning
	Communications
	Analysis
	Mitigation
	Improvements
Recover	Recovery Planning
	Improvements
	Communications



Prepare

Essential activities to **prepare** the organization to manage security and privacy risks

Categorize

**Categorize** the system and information processed, stored, and transmitted based on an impact analysis

Select

**Select** the set of NIST SP 800-53 controls to protect the system based on risk assessment(s)

Implement

**Implement** the controls and document how controls are deployed

Assess

**Assess** to determine if the controls are in place, operating as intended, and producing the desired results

Authorize

Senior official makes a risk-based decision to **authorize** the system (to operate)

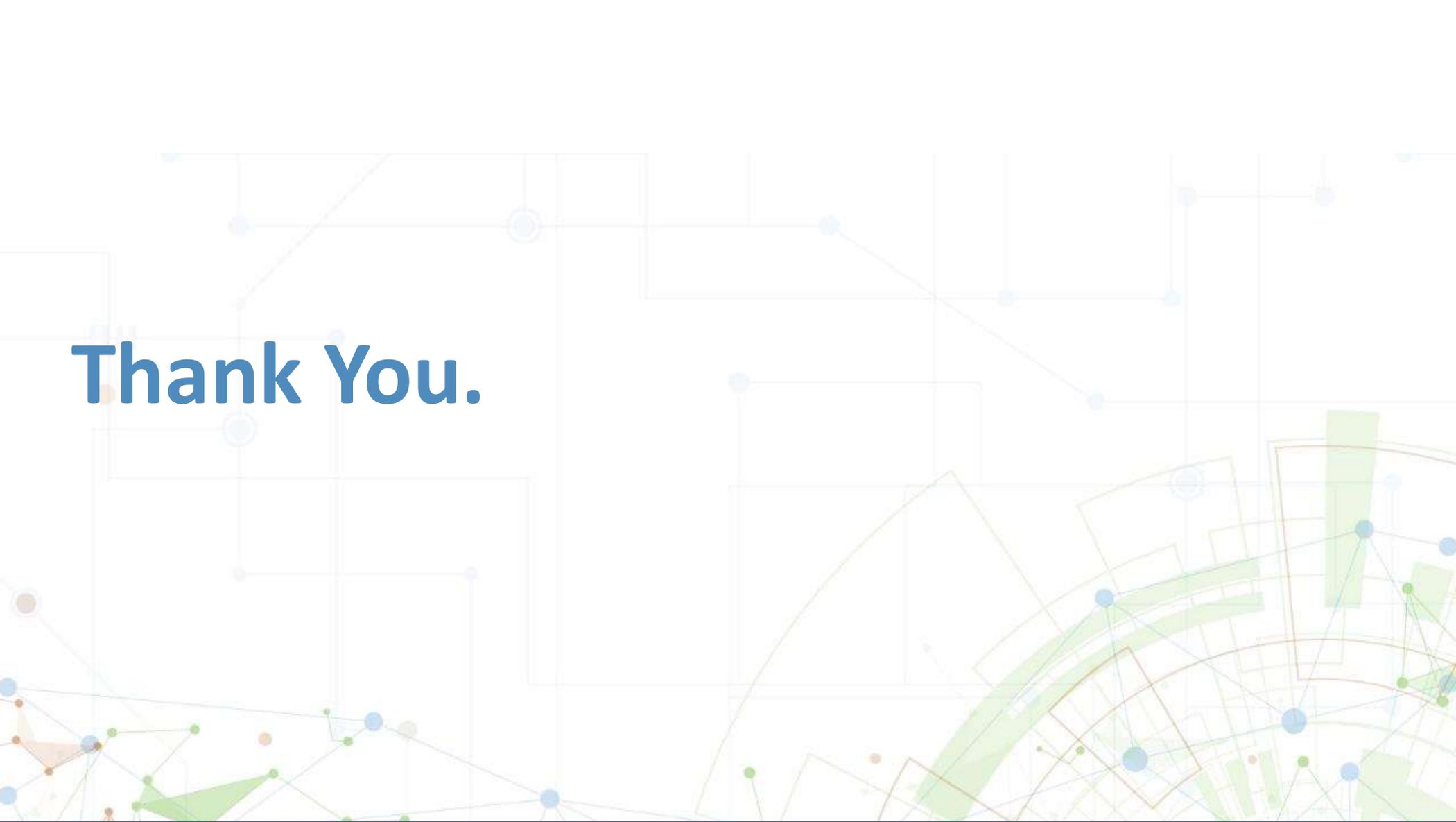
Monitor

Continuously **monitor** control implementation and risks to the system

NIST Special Publication 800-160, Volume 2  
Revision 1

# Developing Cyber-Resilient Systems: A Systems Security Engineering Approach

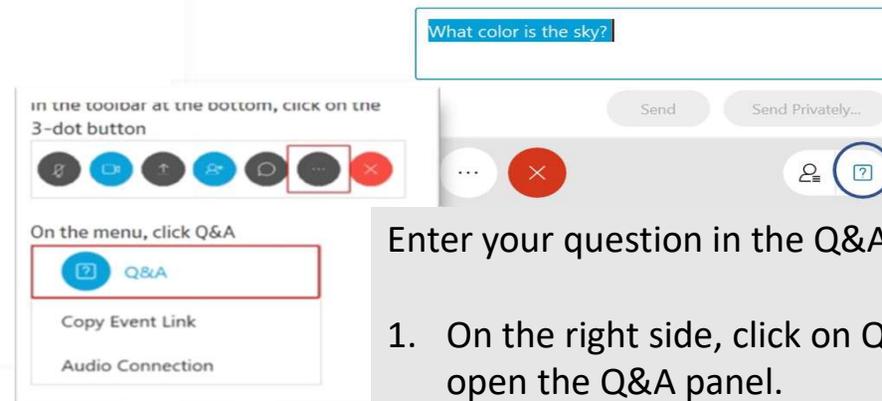


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# Thank You.

# NIST Experiences in Genomics, Cybersecurity, and Privacy

## Moderated Questions and Answers



Enter your question in the Q&A panel.

1. On the right side, click on Q&A header to open the Q&A panel.
2. Type in the box **your name, organization and question.**
3. Click send.